THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE L.NARASIMHA REDDY

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WRIT PETITION No.19403 OF 2005

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Dt: 16.09.2005

Between:

Smt. M. Venkayamma

.. Petitioner

AND

Union of India, rep., by its Secretary,

Central Pension Accounting Office,

Govt. of India, New Delhi & 2 others.

.. Respondents

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ORDER:

The husband of the petitioner was employed as Assistant Carpenter in the office of the Executive Engineer, Port Blair, South Division, Andaman. He retired from service and was getting pension. He expired on 29.10.1999. The petitioner submitted an application for grant of family pension. On receiving the same, the 2nd respondent addressed a letter, dated 25.06.2002, requiring the petitioner to furnish

certain documents. Petitioner claims to have complied with the same through a covering letter, dated 23.09.2002. Her grievance is that no action has been taken by the respondents so far.

Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and learned Senior Standing Counsel for Central Government.

On receiving the representation from the petitioner, the 2nd respondent, has already required the petitioner to furnish certain documents. The petitioner has since complied with the same; her claim cannot be kept pending indefinitely. Six years have elapsed from the date of the death of her husband, and three years from the date of submission of the documents required by the 2nd respondent. There does not exist any justification for such a delay in the matter.

Hence, the writ petition is disposed of, directing the 1st respondent to pass appropriate orders, within a period of two months from the date of receipt of a copy of this order, in relation to the claim of the petitioner for grant of family pension. There shall be no order as to costs.

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16.09.2005

Note:- Issue CC in three days.

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